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In re Patent Application for:

Steven Teig, et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

CREATING AN EXTRACTION MODEL

USING BAYESIAN INFERENCE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests the patent Examiner to amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows before examining the patent application:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please add the following abstract paragraph: